

Milford Recreation Commission
March 12th, 2014

Attendees:

Walter Smith	Claudia Lemaire	Arene Berry	Scott Hembrow
Tim Finan	Joan Dargie	Heather Romeri	

Minutes

Heather makes a motion to approve the amended February minutes, Joan seconds, and a unanimous vote was made.

Appointments

Janet Langdell- She is coming before the commissions to begin the process for approving the 46th annual rotary swim meet at Keyes Field. The Field reservation for the rotary swim meet has been given to Arene and the fee waiver request. She is asking for the fee waiver to be approved from the commission. Jim Rezzarday will be the director for the meet. She will be back in April for the approval from the commission and for the fee waiver.

Heather makes a motion to waive all field/pool fees as well as miscellaneous costs from the revolving fund for the rotary swim meet, Rick seconds, 4 in favor, with one abstaining.

Carol Brooks- She is coming before the commission as a representative of the Milford Area Seniors. Financially the group is now in need of all volunteers without any paid positions. Their 501c3 status is current and they are looking for a working senior center. Rick Mossey and Carol discuss how it would be nice to have a member of the commission preside at senior meetings and vice versus. A brief discussion is made regarding senior center programs and recreation senior programs. Both parties agree to keep each other informed so we can provide a diverse range of activities.

Director's Report

Revolving Fund Balance: \$48,451.90

Heather requests the spreadsheet for the Daddy Daughter Dance so we can have a more comprehensive idea of the expenses and revenue.

Programs/Events: Stephanie

Events

- Live animal show (3/5) - profit of roughly \$200 for the event.
- Mother and Son Fischer Cats Game(4/12)
- Easter in need of volunteers for the event (4/19)

Trips:

- Boston Flower Show 3/14
- Mariposa Museum first Friday event-4/4(many seniors are signed up) cost is free except for the transportation(\$10)

Spring 2014 recreation guide is completed and has been available to the public.
Summer guide is in progress.

New ideas for the summer program guide

- Mommy/Daddy and me art camp
- Lego camp
- Zumba in the Park
- Co-ed pick-up basketball 6-8

Rick brings up how well the learn to skate program went this year and also to thank Dan and the crew for providing excellent lessons. Also Stephanie received phone calls about skate rentals for the rink.

Cost of the volunteer mice pizza party was \$69.00 from the revolving fund.

Rick makes a motion for a \$20 gift card and certificate to be given to the Learn to Skate program volunteers, Scott seconds, a unanimous vote was made.

The concession stand at Keyes is available for contract and rental. The rental was posted in the paper. The contract is written as a not-for –profit organization but it could be written for profit as well, depending. Joan also recommends an inventory of the space.

Rick makes a motion to approve the lease for the concession stand as submitted, Joan seconds, and a unanimous vote was made.

Last month the commission asked Arene to get other quotes for a baby slide at Keyes kiddie pool. The slide would need a pad; along with electrical, footing etc....The baby pool is currently not ADA compliant. It would need a ramp if additional modifications are made. The commission agrees to put the slide on hold for this summer.

The town is in need of Park Rangers, Lifeguards, and Tennis instructors.

Ice Rink- The rink is closed for the season. The warming hut needs a few more details to make the project complete.

Pergola- The brick fundraiser has sold about 90 bricks. The deadline for the brick fundraiser will be May 1st.

The garden club wants to plant a tree on Arbor Day at Keyes field near the pergola.

Policies and By Laws

We will review the by- laws after the policies and procedure have been developed.

Policies and Procedures

The commission reviews and makes sub-committees for policies and procedures. Next month we will begin to approve and revise information.

Walter makes a motion to waive 100 percent of the field fees for MCAA this coming 2014 seasons with the understanding that reasonable requests for field reservations will be honored, while we continue to work on a written policy regarding the relationship between our two organizations, Tim Seconds. Joan asks if there is block booking; Walter replies that it is a staged process with the other teams that they work with for the season. The schedule would be revised when the actual playtime needs to become known. Heather argues that the policy is not consistent with 20 percent across the board. **The vote resulted in six in favor with one opposed.**

New Business

The tennis courts were resurfaced last year. The courts have since become in disrepair again. An inquiry will be done regarding the issue.

5K Run

The commission is looking to add a 5k run again. We may want to change the time of year, length, or type of race. More discussion is needed regarding this event.

Liz Craighead (DPW) will be assessing the sports fields this month. She will report back to the commission at next month's meeting.

Fletcher Site is planned for 2015 tentatively.

Walter makes a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:50PM, Joan seconds, and a unanimous vote was made.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Claudia Lemaire
Secretary Recreation Commission

8:50PM